

# Photos die, unless we talk about them



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## Mother's plea to find long-lost baby photos



A picture similar to the lost photographs of Tara Probert with son, Joshua, not long after he was born.



# Museum Exhibit





# FOUND LIVES

*A Collection of Found Photographs*

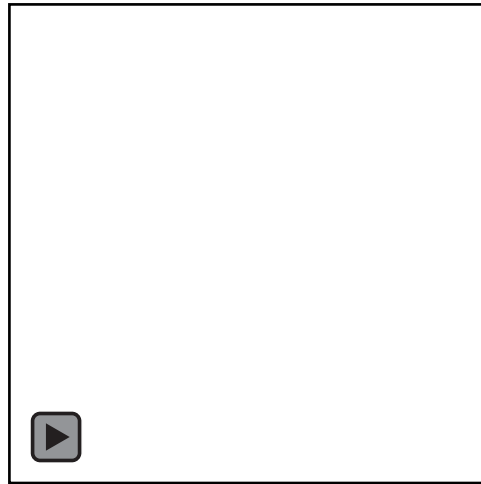
JAMES NOCITO



# Rufus and Herndon



“Neat to make pictures of my friends.”



# Interviewing



# Audio Verite





# Voicemail

Listen to the stories

The only photo of my mother



Cookie policy → 83  
Singular Photos: An article by Greg Williams published in the Tampa Tribune. Williams heard this voicemail memory and tracked down other people who only had one photo of a loved one.



A bride photograph at an estate sale



Cookie policy → 22



Everything I held close to me: Maplewood



Cookie policy → 54  
After hearing the Maplewood voicemail, The New York Times blog wrote The Unsafe Safe about the woman who left the voicemail.



Found in Hawaii



Cookie policy → 35



Back to

20 photos and 20 years



Cookie policy → 36



Recreating what was lost in Vermont



Cookie policy → 19



And I said how much for all of them



\*She says it's her past\*



Cookie policy → 78



Lost on Facebook



Cookie policy → 74



Somewhere out there is a baby photo of me



A photo album of me



Cookie policy → 81



Strange to have an entire family's history



Cookie policy → 74



I've been collecting found photos for 20 years



Vietnam Slides



Cookie policy → 74



Memories of my father



Cookie policy → 22



These pictures belong in the red album



Cookie policy → 57



A lot of people were sharing photos unintentionally



Lost memory cards in Ireland



Cookie policy → 19



The photo that really struck me



Cookie policy → 22

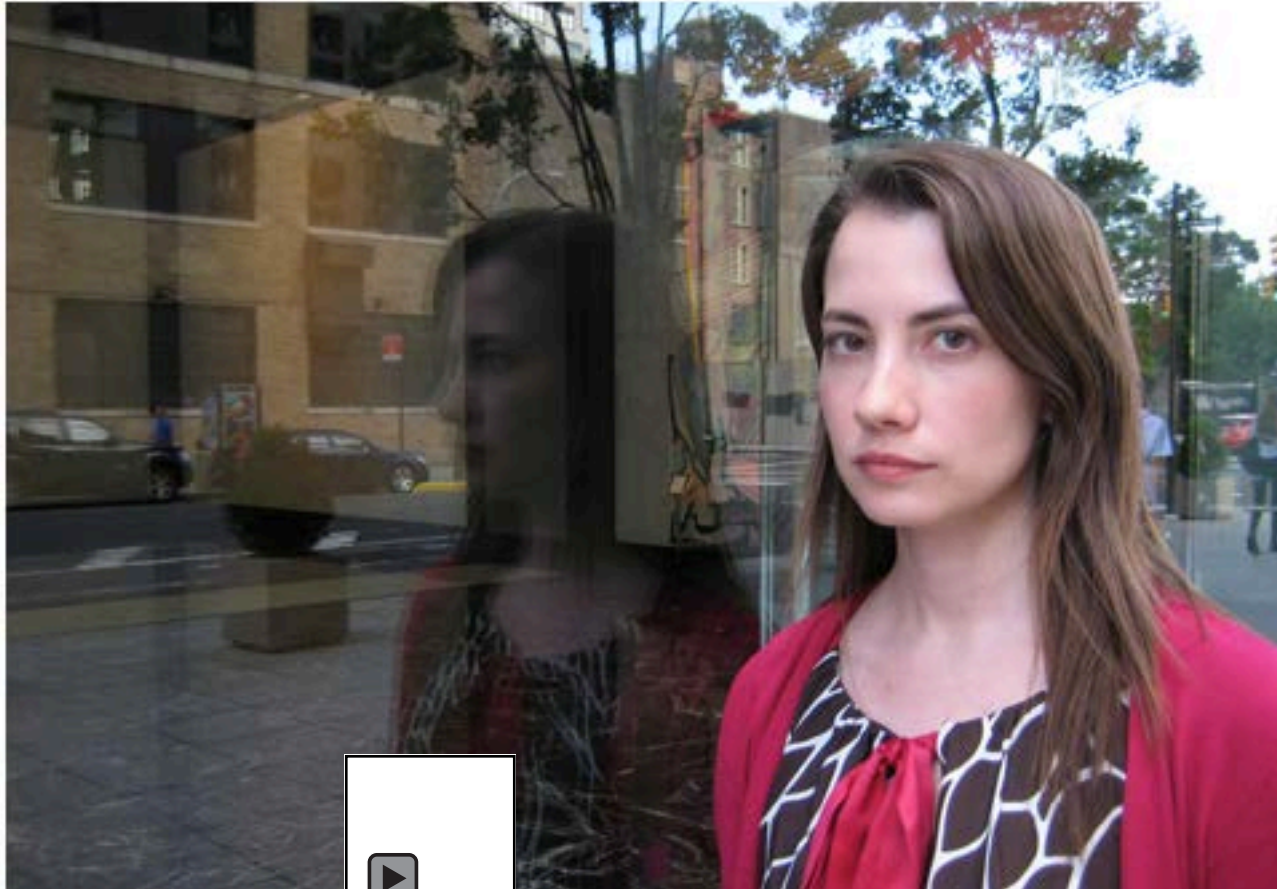


I've got photos saved on disk and wonder

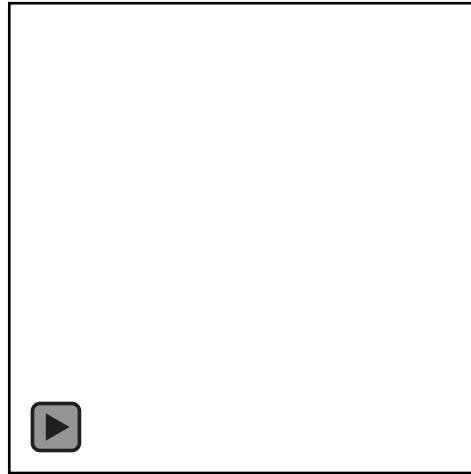


# The Day: Unsafe Safe

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“What you should do . . .”



# Photosdie.com

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the Photosdie Tumblr blog. The browser's address bar shows "photosdie.tumblr.com". The page layout includes a sidebar on the left with a "Helvetica" font selector and a main content area with several posts. Each post features a photo, a title, a text description, and an audio player from SoundCloud. The posts are:

- Clips played @Personal Archive Presentation @NYU**: A photo of two men looking at a photo album. The text describes clips played during a presentation and links to audio pieces. The audio player shows "photosdie - unsafesafe1..." with a duration of 4:04.
- Personal Archive Presentation @NYU**: A text post about a presentation, mentioning "The starfish" and "Everything I held close to me (Lostandfoundphotos.org)".
- The photo of Elmer**: A photo of an elderly woman. The text describes a photo of Elmer and mentions "Cookie policy". The audio player shows "photosdie - Photo of El..." with a duration of 0:48.
- You've got another camera that works.**: A text post about dropping a camera in the ocean and using an audio recorder. The audio player shows "photosdie - you have an..." with a duration of 1:57.
- the starfish**: A text post about a starfish and a link to "Cookie policy". The audio player shows "photosdie - Bellefish" with a duration of 0:44.
- Stolen Locket**: A text post about a stolen locket and a link to "Cookie policy". The audio player shows "Snapshotau... The Stolen L..." with a duration of 5:50.
- The photo album (2005)**: A text post about a photo album bought at an auction. The audio player shows "uneditedjo... The Photo AL..." with a duration of 11:50.
- The burned photograph**: A text post about a burned photograph and a link to "Cookie policy". The audio player shows "Snapshotau... The burned p..." with a duration of 1:10.

The right sidebar contains a "Unfollow" button, an "Edit theme" button, and a "Remember?" button. It also features a "thesoundm... owl moon" audio player with a duration of 1:27 and a "Cookie policy" link.